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MINUTES

TAKEN AT THE SEVERAL ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE METHODIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

FOR THE YEAR 1793

Quest. 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

John Durborough, Hamilton Jefferson, Joshua Jones, William Bishop, Richard Stockett, Andrew Nichols, John Philips, Randolph Smith, William Ball, William Wilkerson, Anthony Sale, William Douglass, David Richardson, Thomas Wilkerson, William Wells, Benjamin Denton, James Johnson, Samuel Risher, James Douthet, William Le Masters, Joseph Thrift, Francis Acuff, Samuel Hollis, Jesse Stoneman, Robert Bonham, Alward White, Joel Ketchum, Hezekiah C. Wooster, Zadok Priest, Moses Crane, Elijah Woolsey, Anthony Turk, Enoch Mudge, Jason Perkins, Daniel Ostrander, Jacob Egbert, Daniel Dennis, Frederick Curp, William Page, David Abbott, John Vanneman, James Smith, William Hunter, David Bartine—44.

Quest. 2. *Who remain on trial?*

Thomas Lucas, Rezin Simpson, Elijah Sparks, William Talbot, Thomas Lyell, Henry Crank, Lawrence Mansfield, Daniel Hall, Samuel S. Steward, James Dawley, Tobias Gibson, George Clark, James Ward, Richard Bird, Benjamin Northcott, John Page, Stith Mead, Jacob Peck, Ephraim Chambers, John Watson, Joel Tucker, James Hunter, Edward Hardy, Jeremiah Jackson, Philip Sands, Absalom Kinsey, James Nolly, Coleman Carlisle, William Fulwood, Benjamin Tarrant, James Jenkin, Seely Bunn, James Paynter, Solomon Sharp, Jordan Rexford, Zebulon Kankey, Smith Weeks, Geo. Strebeck, Joseph Totten, Lawrence M'Combs, Joseph Wainwright, Joseph Rowen—42.

Quest. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Andrew Nichols, Aquila Garrettson, Lewis Browning, Nathaniel Greaves, Samuel Hitt, Stuart Redman, James Fleming, James Rogers, John Buxton, Henry Hill, John Ahair, William Ormond, Abner Henley, Samuel Edney, Freeman Killinsworth, Joseph Moore, William Bellamy, William Moody, James Tolleson, Josias Randle,

Samuel Ansley, John Clark, James Holly, Jeremiah Norman, John Sewell, John Ray, George Martin, Thomas Boyd, Robert Dillon, Elisha Pelham, James Covell, David Valteau, Joshua Hall, Aaron Hunt, Benj. Fisler, Samuel Fowler, Joshua Taylor, Robert M'Coy, James Coleman, Levi Rogers, Simon Miller, Isaac Robinson, Shadrach Bostwick, James Boyd, John Beard, William Early, William Hardesty—47.

Quest. 4. *Who are the deacons?*

Walter Fountain, Charles Burgoon, John Fountain, James Wilson, Matthias Swaim, Joseph Moore, Daniel Shines, William Bellamy, Ezekiel Humphrey, Lewis Browning, James Campbell, John Simmons, Evan Rogers, Morris Howe, John Chalmers, Thomas Bell, William M'Dowell, John Hutt, George Cannon, Thomas Haymond, Samuel Hitt, Stuart Redman, James Fleming, William Moss, Nicholas Sebrrell, Pemberton Smith, Christopher S. Mooring, John N. Jones, Benj. Barnes, Daniel Southall, William Spencer, Daniel Stringer, John Metcalf, John Ellis, James Rogers, John Wynn, Thos. Easter, John West, Benjamin Blanton, John Pace, Rufus Wiley, Enoch George, Daniel Dean, Henry Hill, William Ormond, Samuel Edney, Simon Carlisle, John Crawford, John Russell, Francis Parker, Arthur Lipsey, Samuel Ansley, John Bonner, Hezekiah Arnold, John Clark, William A. Lilly, John Ball, John Ray, Samuel Rudder, John Sewell, George Martin, William M'Lenahan, Daniel Fidler, Lasley Matthews, Robert Dillon, James Covell, David Valteau, Fredus Aldridge, Joshua Hall, Aaron Hunt, Philip Wager, Benj. Fisler, Joseph Lovell, John Clark, Menzies Rainer, Samuel Fowler, Joshua Taylor, Jas. Boyd, Benjamin Wilson, Robert Hutchinson, Gamaliel Bailey, Isaac Robinson, Simon Miller—83.

Quest. 5. *Who are the elders?*

Joseph Everett, John Smith, Jonathan Jackson, Jesse Richardson, John Milburn, Wilson Lee, Nathaniel B. Mills, Christo-

pher Spry, John Jarrell, Robert Sparks, Joseph Cromwell, James O. Cromwell, Nelson Reed, John Bloodgood, Richard Whatcoat, Joseph Wyatt, Richard Parrott, Benton Riggan, Joshua Wells, Wm. Colbert, James Thomas, John Hagerly, Philip Bruce, Samuel Breeze, George Wells, Richard Swift, Lewis Chastain, Ira Ellis, James Meachem, Stephen Davis, John Easter, John Baldwin, Arthur Davis, Josiah Askew, Thomas Anderson, Henry Merritt, Philip Cox, Salathiel Weeks, Thomas Bowen, Isaac Lowe, John M'Gee, James Parks, John Fore, Joshua Cannon, Barnabas M'Henry, Francis Poythress, Henry Birchett, Jacob Lupton, John Lindsey, Bennet Maxey, John Kobler, Isaac Lunsford, Thornton Fleming, Charles Conaway, Hardy Herbert, Stephen G. Roszel, Valentine Cook, Thomas Scott, Martin Hitt, Daniel Hitt, David Kendall, Jonathan Newman, Freeborn Garrettson, Darius Dunham, Samuel Wigton, John Crawford, Robert Green, Jesse Lee, John Hill, Ezekiel Cooper, Lemuel Smith, Jacob Brush, Amos G. Thompson, George Roberts, Geo. Pickering, Richard Swain, Sylvester Hutchinson, Peter Moriarty, Thomas Ware, John Ragan, James Mann, William Jessop, Thomas Morrell, Jeremiah Cosden, John M'Claskey, Sihon Smith, Aquila Sugg, Reuben Ellis, Richard Ivy, Isaac Smith, Daniel Smith, John Merrick, Jas. Thomas, Robert Cann, Henry Willis, John Dickins, Benjamin Abbott, Lemuel Green—98.

Quest. 6. *Who have been elected by the unanimous suffrages of the General Conference to superintend the Methodist Episcopal Church in America?*

Thomas Coke, Francis Asbury—2.

Quest. 7. *Who are under a location through weakness of body or family concerns?*

Jonathan Forrest, John Rowen, Jesse Nicholson, Frederick Roper, John Halliday, Hubbard Saunders, Mark Whitaker, Daniel Lockett, Stephen Brooks, George Wells, Joseph Cromwell, James O. Cromwell, Richard Swift, Samuel Breeze, Thomas Jackson, William Dougherty, Thomas Anderson, Arthur Davis—18.

Quest. 8. *What preachers have withdrawn themselves from our order and connection?*

James O'Kelly, John Allen, Rice Haggard, John Robertson—4.

Quest. 9. *Who have been dismissed for improper conduct?*

James Bell.

Quest. 10. *Who have died this year?*

1. Benjamin Carter,—who professed faith in Jesus Christ about eight years, and was about six years employed in the ministry. He was a native of the western waters, and received a wound in the late war, which greatly weakened him in his labours:—a pointed, zealous preacher, and a strict disciplinarian;—a happy man, and one that appeared not to fear the face of any. He died in August, 1793, at Shoulderbone, Washington county, in the state of Georgia, and was blest with frequent consolations in his last hours.

2. John Sproul,—a simple, honest man, who gave himself wholly to God and his work; but was suddenly taken from toil to rest. Though he was weak in body he was fervent in spirit; and we venture to hope, though surprised by death, he went in peace to his eternal home.

Quest. 11. *Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?*

Their characters were strictly examined, one by one, before the Conference, and approved.

Quest. 12. *How are the preachers stationed this year?*

Richard Whatcoat, *Elder*.

Dover, John Milburn, William Page. Milford, Walter Fountain, Joseph Rowen. Somerset, William Bishop.

Northampton, to be supplied.

Annessex, John Smith.

Dorchester, Charles Burgoon.

Talbot, to be supplied.

Caroline, Christopher Spry, Hamilton Jefferson.

Queen Ann's, to be supplied.

Kent, David Abbott, John Vanneman.

Cecil, Benjamin Abbott, Frederick Curp.

Thomas Anderson, *Elder*.

Amherst, John Ellis, Henry Crank.

Orange, D. Stringer, J. Buxton, W. Wilkerson.

Hanover, John Wynn, William Ball.

Gloucester, William A. Lilly, James Dawley.

Williamsburg, William Spencer, Lawrence Mansfield.

Ira Ellis, *Elder*.

Cumberland, Stephen Davis, Christopher S. Mooring.

Mecklenburg, Jas. Meachem, Wm. Moss.
Amelia, James Rogers, Joel Tucker.
Brunswick, Henry Merritt, Daniel Hall.
Greenville, Daniel Southall, Thomas
Easter.

Sussex, John Baldwin, Pemberton Smith.
Surry, Salathiel Weeks, Samuel Cowles.
Bertie, Benj. Barnes, Nicholas Sebrell.
Portsmouth, William Heath, John West.
Camden, Benj. Blanton, Anthony Sale.
Banks, James Hunter.
Edenton, Archer Davis.
Richmond and Manchester, Josiah Askew.
Norfolk and Portsmouth, William M'Ken-
dree.

Petersburg, John Lindsey.
Franklin, J. N. Jones, S. S. Steward, T.
Wilkinson.

Isaac Lowe, *Elder*.
Caswell, F. Killinsworth, Geo. M'Kenney.
Union, Joseph Moore, James Holly.
Swain, Samuel Edney.
Guilford, John Pace, Absalom Kinsey.
Haw River, David Richardson.
New-Hope, Aquila, William Wells.

James Parks, *Elder*.
Yadkin, John Fore, John Ahair.
Salisbury, David Haggard.
Anson, Jonathan Bird.

Thomas Bowen, *Elder*.
Bladen, Sihon Smith, Benjamin Denton.
Tar River, Joshua Cannon, C. Carlisle,
L. Dyson.
Goshen, Daniel Shines, Robert Cox.
Trent, Rufus Wiley, Simon Carlisle.
Mattamuskeet, Ezekiel Humphrey.
Scoperlong, Daniel Dean.
Contentney, William Bellamy, William
Douglass.

Pamlico, Wm. Ormond, Jeremiah Jack-
son.
Roanoke, James Nolley, Philip Sands.
Broad River, Enoch George, Wm. Moody.

Isaac Smith, *Elder*.
Catawba, John Bonner.
Santee, Tobias Gibson.
Edisto, John Russell, Samuel Ansley.
Great Pee Dee, Arthur Lipsey.
Little Pee Dee, Henry Ledbetter, Heze-
kiah Arnold.
Georgetown, Jesse Richardson.

Reuben Ellis, *Elder*.
Charleston, Daniel Smith, Jonathan Jack-
son.
Washington, James Tolleson, Jethro
Johnson.
Richmond, Josias Randle, Abner Henley.

Burke, Benjamin Tarrant, Samuel Risher.
Savannah, Hope Hull.
Cherokee, John Crawford, Francis Parker.
Oconee, James Jenkin.
Seleuda, George Clark, James Douthet.
Bush River, John Clark. [ard.]

Richard Ivy, Travelling Book Stew-
John Kobler, *Elder*.
New-River, Jacob Peck.
Holston, John Simmons, Stith Mead.
Green, Samuel Rudder, John Ray.

Francis Poythress, *Elder*.
Cumberland, Henry Birchett.
Salt River, Jacob Lurton, James Ward.
Danville, William Burke, John Page, J.
Sewell.
Lexington, John Ball, Gabriel Woodfill.
Hinkstone, Richard Bird.
Limestone, Benjamin Northcott.

Barnabas M'Henry, *Elder*.
Bedford, Bennet Maxey.
Bottetourt, John Metcalf, Jeremiah Nor-
man.
Greenbrier, Francis Acuff.
Cowpasture, George Martin.

Charles Conaway, *Elder*.
Clarksburg, Valentine Cook, Jesse Stone-
man.
Ohio, Thomas Scott, Robert Bonham.
Washington, Samuel Hitt, Ephraim Cham-
bers.

Redstone, Thomas Bell, Seely Bunn. •
Pittsburg, Daniel Hitt, Alward White.

Philip Bruce, Lemuel Green, *Elders*.
Rockingham, Stephen G. Roszel, Ran-
dolph Smith.

Frederick, Joshua Wells, Thomas Boyd.
Winchester, Hardy Herbert.
Berkley, Wm. M'Lenahan, Thos. Lyell.
Alleghany, James Fleming, John Philips.
Fairfax, George Cannon.
Alexandria, Jeremiah Cosden.
Stafford, Thos. Haymond, Stuart Redman.
Lancaster, Lewis Chastain, Wm. Talbot.

Ezekiel Cooper, *Elder*.
Boston, Amos G. Thompson.
Needham, John Hill.
Lynn, Jordan Rexford.
Greenwich, David Kendall, Enoch Mudge.
Warren, Philip Wager.
Province of Maine and Lynn, Jesse Lee.

George Roberts, *Elder*.
Hartford, Geo. Pickering, Joshua Hall.
New-London, G. Roberts, R. Swain, F.
Aldridge.
Middletown, Joshua Taylor, Benjamin
Fisher.

Litchfield, Lemuel Smith, Daniel Os-
trander.
Tolland, Joseph Lovell.

Thomas Ware, *Elder*.
Granville, Hezekiah C. Wooster, Jason
Perkins.
Pittsfield, James Covell, Zadok Priest.
Cambridge, Joel Ketchum, Elijah Wool-
sey.
Saratoga, Matthias Swaim.
Otsego, Zebulon Kankey, Moses Crane.
Herkimer, Jonathan Newman, David
Bartine.
Dutchess, Samuel Fowler, Robert M'Coy.
Albany, Samuel Wigton, John Crawford.
Columbia, Robert Green.
Fairfield, Aaron Hunt, James Coleman.

Jacob Brush, *Elder*.
Croton, Sylvester Hutchinson, Jacob Eg-
bert.
New-Richelle, Peter Moriarty, David
Valleau.
Long Island, Joseph Totten, George
Strebeck.
Staten Island, Thomas Everard.
Elizabethtown, John Ragan, Menzies
Rainor.
Flanders, John Clark, Daniel Dennis.
Newburg, Lawrence M'Combs, Smith
Weeks.
New-York, Thomas Morrell.

John Merrick, *Elder*.
Freehold, James Wilson, John Fountain.
Salem, Wilson Lee, Hugh Work.
Bethel, Gamaliel Bailey, Shadrach Bost-
wick.
Trenton, Robert Sparks, Isaac Robinson.
Burlington, Robert Cann, Robert Hutch-
inson.

Freeborn Garrettson, *Elder*.
Bristol, N. B. Mills, E. Pelham, L. Rogers.
Chester, Robert Cloud, William Hunter.
Wilmington, Evan Rogers, who after six
months is to change with Robert Cloud.
Philadelphia, Freeborn Garrettson, six
months, and then change with Thomas
Morrell; Henry Willis, John Dickins,
Superintendent of the Printing and Book
business.

Nelson Reed, *Elder*.
Bath, Lewis Browning, Thomas Lucas.
Huntingdon, John Watson, Lasley Mat-
thews.
Harford, Wm. M'Dowell, Richard Stock-
ett.
Baltimore cir., Nathaniel Greaves.
Severn, Richard Parrott, Solomon Sharp.

Annapolis, John Bloodgood.
Calvert, Benton Riggins, William Nichols.
Prince George's, Andrew Nichols.
Montgomery, Morris Howe, Rezin Simp-
son.
Frederick, Martin Hitt, Aquila Gar-
rettson.
Little York, John Chalmers, Simon Miller.
Fell's Point, Joseph Wyatt.
Baltimore Town, John M'Claskey, John
Hagerty.

Valentine Cook, *Elder*.
Northumberland, James Campbell, James
Paynter.
Tioga, James Thomas.
Wyoming, Wm. Colbert, Anthony Turek.
Seneca Lake, James Smith.

Quest. 13. What numbers are in Society?

	Whites. Col.	Whites. Col.
Dover	930	507
Milford	781	319
Somerset	553	87
Northamp- ton	616	249
Annamesssex	345	85
Dorchester	534	431
Talbot	635	330
Caroline	446	236
Queen Ann's	372	467
Kent	523	462
Cecil	434	321
Harford	532	178
Baltimore	916	144
Severn	928	598
Annapolis	170	243
Calvert	732	923
George's	65	225
Montgomery	728	362
Frederick	422	74
Frederick Town	24	24
Bath	326	22
Huntingdon	165	2
Northumber- land	170	1
Little York	156	37
Fell's Point	95	207
Town	440	70
Tioga	70	100
Wyoming	100	590
Lancaster	590	261
Stafford	309	45
Fairfax	520	50
Berkley	571	68
Frederick	485	126
Rockingham	350	46
Alleghany	382	20
Winchester	55	28
Alexandria	58	40
Amherst	520	62
Orange	477	62
Hanover	677	63
Gloucester	589	241
Williams- burg	589	241
Franklin	566	92
Cumberland	416	43
Mecklen- burg	479	32
Amelia	645	139
Brunswick	653	161
Greensville	665	347
Sussex	448	206
Surry	814	955
Bertie	616	176
Portsmouth	729	439
Camden	555	347
Banks	174	4
Norfolk and Portsmouth	109	159
Bladen	490	72
New-Hope	735	157
Tar River	610	160
Goshen	366	52
Trent	587	337
Mattamus- keet	156	42
Scoperlong	175	23
Contentney	360	96
Pamlico	415	104
Roanoke	538	544
Charleston	50	169
Georgetown	52	180
Little Pee Dee	589	31
Great Pee Dee	256	28
Santee	163	158
Catawba	163	4
Broad River	541	78
Cherokee	528	13
Seleuda and Bush River	555	30
Edisto	474	135
North Savan- nah	104	10
Burke	420	111
Richmond	650	111
Washington	518	118
Oconee	202	18
Green	345	9
Holston	271	18
Russell	125	4

Whites. Col.		Whites. Col.	
New-River	184	15	New-London 50
Salt River	340	24	Hartford 341
Danville	548	20	Middletown 170
Lexington	401	30	Fairfield 241
Hinkstone	281	4	New-Ro-
Limestone	242	8	chelle 375
Cumberland	270	50	Croton 278
Bedford	474	102	Long Island 271
Bottetourt	470	30	New-York 639
Greenbrier	202	5	State Island 77
Cowpasture	48	8	Elizabeth-
Clarksburg	307	3	town 226
Ohio	362	9	Flanders 310
Redstone	325	9	Newburg 397
Pittsburg	151		Salem 502
Dutchess	381	7	Caswell 517
Columbia	230		Guilford 613
Pittsfield	330		Salisbury 565
Otsego	296		Bethel 433
Saratoga	270		Burlington 397
Cambridge	440		Trenton 465
Albany	388	6	Bristol 194
Herkimer	142	8	Chester 379
Oswegotchie	90		Philadel-
Bay Quintie	255	4	phia 354
Granville	90		Wilmington 82
Boston	41		Anson 214
Lynn	166		Union 236
Needham	50		Swanino 70
Greenwich	16		
Warren	58		
Litchfield	184		
		51416	16227
		Preachers 269.	

Quest. 14. *What is contributed toward the fund for the superannuated preachers, with the widows and orphans of preachers?*
£127 10s.

Quest. 15. *What has been applied this year?*

To Jonathan Forrest	-	£24
To John Easter	-	24
To Charles Conaway	-	24
To Widow Hutchinson	-	6
		£78

Quest. 16. *Where and when shall the next Conferences be held?*

1. Baltimore, Oct. 20, 1793.
2. Petersburg, Nov. 15, 1793.
3. North Carolina, Dec. 9, 1793.
4. South Carolina, Jan. 1, 1794.
5. New-Territory, April 2, 1794.
6. Kentucky, April 15, 1794.
7. Mitchell's, (Bottetourt,) May 26, 1794.
8. Rockingham, June 3, 1794.
9. Union Town, June 12, 1794.
10. Albany, July 10, 1794.
11. Lym, July 25, 1794.
12. Connecticut, Sept. 8, 1794.
13. New-York, Sept. 22, 1794.
14. Philadelphia, Oct. 5, 1794.

CAUTION.

The brethren are requested to be on their guard against impostors. One of this character having made his way through North and South Carolina, collected money, purchased a horse by falsehood, and disappeared. If a preacher is on the travelling plan, he will be sent out from the district Conference; if he is in the local line, he can be recommended from his quarterly meeting. If doubts arise relative to any person who may appear under the character of a Methodist preacher, refer him to the preacher who has the charge of the circuit, for examination, before he is permitted to preach.